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10/796,361

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
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SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity

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August 25, 2004

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Patrick L. Dean, Sr., et al.

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In response to the Notice mailed May 25, 2004 to file missing parts of the above-identified application, enclosed are the following as required by the notice:

- 1. an executed Declaration;
- 2. one (1) sheet of formal drawings (Figs. 1 and 2);
- 3. check in the amount of \$120 (to cover the late oath or declaration surcharge and one-month extension of time);
- 4. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) requesting a one-month extension up to and including August 25, 2004; and
 - 5. postcard.

In addition, a Transmittal Form, Fee Transmittal and Part 2 of the Notice to File Missing Parts are also enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: August 25, 2004

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